

HB5746



98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB5746

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 170/2

from Ch. 63, par. 172

Amends the Lobbyist Registration Act. Provides that lobbying an official of a unit of local government includes members of the Chicago Transit Authority and Directors of the Regional Transit Authority, the Suburban Bus Board, and the Commuter Rail Board.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Lobbyist Registration Act is amended by
5 changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 170/2) (from Ch. 63, par. 172)

7 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act, unless the
8 context otherwise requires:

9 (a) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership,
10 committee, association, corporation, or any other organization
11 or group of persons.

12 (b) "Expenditure" means a payment, distribution, loan,
13 advance, deposit, or gift of money or anything of value, and
14 includes a contract, promise, or agreement, whether or not
15 legally enforceable, to make an expenditure, for the ultimate
16 purpose of influencing executive, legislative, or
17 administrative action, other than compensation as defined in
18 subsection (d).

19 (c) "Official" means:

20 (1) the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of
21 State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, and State
22 Comptroller;

23 (2) Chiefs of Staff for officials described in item

1 (1);

2 (3) Cabinet members of any elected constitutional
3 officer, including Directors, Assistant Directors and
4 Chief Legal Counsel or General Counsel;

5 (4) Members of the General Assembly; ~~and~~

6 (5) Members of any board, commission, authority, or
7 task force of the State authorized or created by State law
8 or by executive order of the Governor ~~;~~

9 (6) Directors of the Regional Transportation
10 Authority, the Suburban Bus Board, and the Commuter Rail
11 Board; and

12 (7) Members of the Chicago Transit Authority.

13 (d) "Compensation" means any money, thing of value or
14 financial benefits received or to be received in return for
15 services rendered or to be rendered, for lobbying as defined in
16 subsection (e).

17 Monies paid to members of the General Assembly by the State
18 as remuneration for performance of their Constitutional and
19 statutory duties as members of the General Assembly shall not
20 constitute compensation as defined by this Act.

21 (e) "Lobby" and "lobbying" means any communication with an
22 official of the executive or legislative branch of State
23 government, or of a unit of local government, as defined in
24 subsection (c) for the ultimate purpose of influencing any
25 executive, legislative, or administrative action.

26 (f) "Influencing" means any communication, action,

1 reportable expenditure as prescribed in Section 6 or other
2 means used to promote, support, affect, modify, oppose or delay
3 any executive, legislative or administrative action or to
4 promote goodwill with officials as defined in subsection (c).

5 (g) "Executive action" means the proposal, drafting,
6 development, consideration, amendment, adoption, approval,
7 promulgation, issuance, modification, rejection or
8 postponement by a State entity of a rule, regulation, order,
9 decision, determination, contractual arrangement, purchasing
10 agreement or other quasi-legislative or quasi-judicial action
11 or proceeding.

12 (h) "Legislative action" means the development, drafting,
13 introduction, consideration, modification, adoption,
14 rejection, review, enactment, or passage or defeat of any bill,
15 amendment, resolution, report, nomination, administrative rule
16 or other matter by either house of the General Assembly or a
17 committee thereof, or by a legislator. Legislative action also
18 means the action of the Governor in approving or vetoing any
19 bill or portion thereof, and the action of the Governor or any
20 agency in the development of a proposal for introduction in the
21 legislature.

22 (i) "Administrative action" means the execution or
23 rejection of any rule, regulation, legislative rule, standard,
24 fee, rate, contractual arrangement, purchasing agreement or
25 other delegated legislative or quasi-legislative action to be
26 taken or withheld by any executive agency, department, board or

1 commission of the State.

2 (j) "Lobbyist" means any natural person who undertakes to
3 lobby State government as provided in subsection (e).

4 (k) "Lobbying entity" means any entity that hires, retains,
5 employs, or compensates a natural person to lobby State
6 government as provided in subsection (e).

7 (l) "Authorized agent" means the person designated by an
8 entity or lobbyist registered under this Act as the person
9 responsible for submission and retention of reports required
10 under this Act.

11 (m) "Client" means any person or entity that provides
12 compensation to a lobbyist to lobby State government as
13 provided in subsection (e) of this Section.

14 (n) "Client registrant" means a client who is required to
15 register under this Act.

16 (Source: P.A. 98-459, eff. 1-1-14.)